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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 202231

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In re the application: Mark E. Poole  
Serial No: 09/818,470  
Filed: March 28, 2001  
For: APPARATUS FOR CONNECTING AND SEALING DUCT  
SECTIONS  
Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody  
Art Unit: 3679  
Attorney Docket No.: SFI-1

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

The applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision on October 29, 2002, of the Primary Examiner rejecting claims 1-7 Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$ 160.00 to cover the appeal fee. (One additional copy of this Notice is enclosed herewith).

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